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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/681,305

Applicants: Tatsuo MAEDA, et al.

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For: ELECTRONIC CIRCUIT, MODULATION METHOD,  
INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE, AND  
INFORMATION PROCESSING METHOD

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Examiner:

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**SECOND STATUS REQUEST FOR FIRST OFFICE ACTION (in duplicate)**

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Respectfully submitted,

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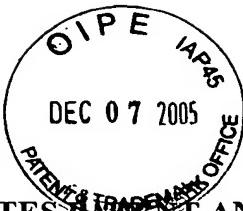
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Sir:

The Patent Office is respectfully requested to inform the undersigned of the approximate date a first Official Action will be issued on this Application.

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